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## 2021 Made in Alaska Manufacturer of the Year

Tuesday, July 5, 2022 (ANCHORAGE, AK) – The Alaska Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) is happy to announce Turnagain Brewing as the 2021 Made in Alaska Manufacturer of the Year.

Turnagain Brewing has been brewing and selling Belgian Style Ales and sour beers in Anchorage since 2017. In 2021, Turnagain Brewing expanded their sales while partnering with local producers throughout Alaska to feature a wide array of Alaskan inspired flavors for locals and visitors alike. The company has developed and incorporated an innovative CO<sub>2</sub> reclamation system for their brewing process, as well as expanded their offering of house-made non-alcoholic beverages and barrel-aged vinegar products. Turnagain Brewing has also demonstrated a commitment to community by partnering with local non-profits including the Nordic Ski Association of Anchorage, Friends of Pets, Challenge Alaska, Food Bank of Alaska, Hope Center Downtown Soup Kitchen, League of Women Voters of Anchorage, and the Anchorage Park Foundation.

"I love that the Turnagain Brewing team has been able to demonstrate so many of the qualities that make small businesses in Alaska such a vital part of our economy and our communities," said **DCCED Commissioner Julie Sande**. "Their focus on delivering a quality product while innovating process is impressive. Their partnership with non-profits through programs like Selfless Sundays is both heartwarming and a compelling example of how much of an impact Alaskan-made products and producers have on our state."

The runner up for the 2021 Made in Alaska Manufacturer of the Year is Sipping Streams Tea Company of Fairbanks. Sipping Streams started the first ever tea farm in Alaska in 2021 in partnership with Chena Hot Springs Resort.

Implemented in 1986, the Made in Alaska program was created to identify and promote products that are majority made, manufactured, or handcrafted in Alaska. The recognizable mother bear and cub symbol provides assurance for consumers that a product was produced in Alaska by local manufacturers and artisans.

The Made in Alaska program is administered by the Division of Community and Regional Affairs which is housed within DCCED. More information about the Made in Alaska program is available at <a href="https://www.madeinalaska.org">www.madeinalaska.org</a>. To find a list of products and businesses that participate in the Made in Alaska program, visit the DCCED <a href="https://www.madeinalaska.org">website</a>.



From left: Lead Brewer Lincoln Fang; Owner/Operator Mary Rosenzweig; Brewer/Owner Ted Rosenzweig pictured at the Turnagain Brewing tasting room in Anchorage, AK.

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